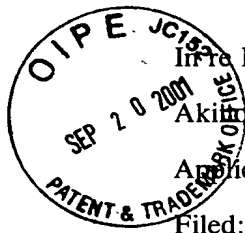


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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 5-7623. A discussion of relevance of this document is set forth on page two of the present application. An English language abstract of this document is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 11-347118. A copy of corresponding European Patent Application No. 0 960 627 and a copy of corresponding Australian Patent Application No. 199929073 are also enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 4,756,706.

U.S. Patent No. 5,507,412.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 11-502132. A copy of corresponding International Publication No. WO 96/28209 is also enclosed.

Akinori ZAITSU et al., "An Infusion Robot (Prototype II)", *Anesthesia · Intensive Care and Their Technology*, 1993, Kokuseido Publication Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan, July 1, 1993, pages 146-152.

The following three documents were cited in Partial European Search Report Search Report recently issued by the European Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Partial Search Report is enclosed.

European Patent Application No. 0 960 627. This document corresponds to Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 11-347118, mentioned above.

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To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and copies of the documents are enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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